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AMENDMENT

The following Amendment and Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed November 5, 2001 (Paper No. 8). Kindly amend the above-identified U.S. patent application, without prejudice, as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph of the abstract with the following:

A device for locking [the] a brake pedal and brake pedal shaft of a vehicle, [and preventing its theft comprising:] which includes a base member for a placement on [the] a floorboard of [a] the vehicle beneath [a] the brake pedal[:]; and brake pedal shaft. [a] A U-shaped housing [extending] extends downward and [having] has a first arm attached to the base and [having] a second shorter arm defining [a gap] an opening for receipt of [a] the brake pedal shaft[:]. [said space] The opening between the first and second arms [defining] defines a slot for receiving the brake pedal shaft and [permitting its] permits full extension of the brake pedal shaft upward through said [shaft:] slot. [and] A locking [means] mechanism is associated with the [second] first arm for locking [the] an underside of the pedal shaft within the slot such that the brake pedal cannot be depressed.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 8.

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